A student perspective: Health and Social Care

Why did you choose this subject?

I studied Health and Social care in Key Stage 4 and I really enjoyed it. It is a very straightforward subject but only if you can make it one by keeping up to date with your coursework. Also, I wanted to do a BTEC as I enjoy the coursework element and being able to complete the assessments as I am going along rather than just through an exam at the end of two years.

Give examples of what you have studied in this subject:

50% course work and 50% exams.

For the exam you learn the development of child attachment you will also be learning about ageing and how it effects population. You study a great range of different diseases and you study different case studies of individuals and how their lives are affected by disease or medical/health issues.

What do you enjoy most about studying this subject?

It is interesting to learn details about topics that you think you already know about for example a certain type of disease. Once you start studying it you learn so much more and can empathise with people suffering from it. Also there is always something topical to apply the theory to for example changes in drug development.

What Advice to someone who is considering this subject:

Learn through the course by keeping your notes up to date. Although it might seem that the content is easy if you leave it for the last minute it will make you feel stressed. Make sure you get coursework completed in good time and that you do your revision notes for the exams each week and practice past papers.

What subjects do you study alongside this one?

Law and Psychology

What are your plans Post-18?

Study Law at university